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L. THE TEXT OF THE LABOR PARTY'S RESOLUTION ON BELIZE (REFTEL) WHICH WAS TRANSMITTED TO THE EMBASSY FOR COMMENT, FOLLOWS: QUOTE - THIS NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ASKS THAT HMG SHALL STAND BY THE DECISIONS OF THE UN, THE COMMONWEALTH PRIME MINISTERS CONFERENCE, AND THE WISHES OF THE GOVERNMENT AND PEOPLE OF BELIZE IN SUPPORTING THE TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY OF THE COLONY; THAT THE GOVERNMENTS OF GUATEMALA AND MEXICO SHOULD BE INFORMED THAT NO CARVE UP OF BELIZE AGAINST THE WISHES OF HER PEOPLE IS CONTEMPLATED; THAT PRESIDENT CARTER, IN PURSUANCE OF HIS POLICIES ON HUMAN RIGHTS, SHOULD BE ASKED TO END THE SUPPLY OF UNITED STATES ARMS AND TRAINING FACILITIES TO GUATEMALA, WHICH CAN ONLY ADD TO THE THREAT AGAINST THE PEOPLE OF BELIZE; AND THAT THIS MESSAGE SHOULD BE IMMEDIATELY TRANSMITTED TO THE PRIME
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MINISTER OF BELIZE. UNQUOTE.

2. AS REQUESTED REFTEL, WE WOULD APPRECIATE SOONEST GUIDANCE FOR REPLY TO THAT PART OF THE RESOLUTION CONCERNING "SUPPLY OF US ARMS AND TRAINING TO GUATEMALA". FYI: WE INTEND TO BE AS RESPONSIVE AS POSSIBLE IN OUR REPLY. REGARDING THE QUESTION OF TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY,

WE INTEND TO REAFFIRM US SUPPORT FOR HMG'S EFFORTS TO
WORK OUT A NEGOTIATED SETTLEMENT THAT IS ACCEPTABLE TO
THE PEOPLE OF BELIZE AND GUATEMALA, WHILE POINTING OUT
THAT THE US HAS ABSTAINED ON THE VARIOUS UN RESOLUTIONS,
BECAUSE THEY TEND TO FORECLOSE ONE POSSIBLE APPROACH TO
A NEGOTIATED SOLUTION.

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